

## Sailor of the Week Introduced

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### RECOGNITION

NAVAL AIR FACILITY, Japan – Sailor of the week is a title granted to a different Sailor on board Naval Air Facility (NAF) Atsugi once a week who has shown exemplary skill and work ethic within their shop and rate.

This week's Sailor of the Week is Aerographer's Mate 2nd Class (AG2) Joshua Heiserman who hails from Bryan, Texas and is attached to the Naval Fleet Weather Detachment (NFWD), Atsugi.

“AG is basically the Navy's weather team or meteorologists,” said Heiserman. “Our job is to create weather forecasts for all fleet assets and, in some cases, other branches of the service as well. We have several different sites for our rate. We're also responsible for oceanography – under water characteristics – as well as tactical warfare.”

In addition to creating forecasts, Heiserman also manages training for all personnel within the weather detachment and is responsible for the weather detachment maintaining an 83% or higher pay-grade advancement rate for the past year.

“Heiserman is considered an outstanding forecaster and successful with anything he is involved in,” said his Division Officer, AG1 Joshua Lund. “Whether he is forecasting the weather, managing the command training program, or participating in volunteer events, AG2 is dedicated.”

Although Heiserman initially joined the Navy for educational purposes, he enjoys other opportunities while in service.

“My best memory of the Navy is probably when I lucked out and got to go on the Iwo Jima detachment during fleet carrier landing practice,” said AG2. “I’m a big history buff and I’m real big on the World War II Pacific theater. So getting to go to Iwo Jima and see all of the remaining relics from the war was a pretty good treat.”

When not reading barometers at work, Heiserman enjoys a more “thrilling” atmosphere. “Skydiving is something I really love to do,” said the Texas native. “Roller coasters and hiking. I’m a pretty big outdoors person, so anything that’s outside is pretty good for me.”

AM2 Clarke is being honored as Sailor of the Week by being the guest host of the base’s weekly show of Captain’s Call with the

Commanding Officer Capt. Steven Wieman and Command Master Chief  
Carlton Duncan.